## Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

| In the Matter of:             | ) |                      |
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| Communications Assistance for | ) | CC Docket No. 97-213 |
| Law Enforcement Act           | ) |                      |
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To: The Federal Communications Commission

## Petition for Extension of Time to Comply with the Packet-Mode Communications Capability Requirements of Section 103 of CALEA

Western Wireless Corp. ("Western") (TRS number 808815), a wireless provider, hereby petitions the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 107(c) of the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act ("CALEA"), <sup>1</sup> 47 U.S.C. 1006(c), for an extension of time to comply with the packet-mode communications capability requirements. Western specifically requests an extension of the compliance date to June 30, 2002 because CALEA-compliant technology is not available for integration into the Western network. Furthermore, Western has submitted the attached packet-mode Flexible Deployment Schedule to the FBI and desires to reach agreement with them concerning when CALEA-compliant technology will be available for integration into Western's network.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pub. L. No. 103-414, 108 Stat. 4279 (1994) (codified as amended in 18 U.S.C. 2522 and 47 U.S.C. 229, 1001-1010).

Western is a Commercial Mobile Radio Service ("CMRS") provider operating in 19 states west of the Mississippi River. This request for an extension is filed on behalf of all company subsidiaries listed in Attachment A.

The information contained in the attached Flexible Deployment Schedule is confidential and proprietary and Western requests the Commission to handle it with the necessary protections.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

## Attachment A

| WWC License L.L.C.                | 805958 |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| WWC Holding Co., Inc              | 808809 |
| WWC Texas RSA Limited Partnership | 817878 |
| Western Paging Corporation        | 801306 |